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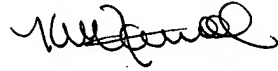
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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Detailed Action mailed from the Patent Office on April 22, 2003. In response to this requirement, Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, Claims 1-7. In response to the requirement that a species be elected, Applicants elect the species of Claim 1, element a). As discussed with Examiner Chakrabarti by telephone on May 20, 2003, the election of the species of element a) (element a) recites 2 species) is appropriate given the fact that Claim 1 is directed toward "a set of chromosomal probes comprising any of the following combination of two probes".

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